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## State Library to Receive New Education Center

INDIANAPOLIS – Indiana Department of Administration (IDOA) Commissioner Jessica Robertson and Jason Larrison, state architect with the IDOA's Public Works Division, today announced the official plans for the new State House Education Center during the Indiana Bicentennial Commission. Scheduled to open in October 2016, the State House Education Center will serve as an active learning site for the thousands of visitors the State House and Library attract each year.

"The new Education Center will provide yet another way for Hoosiers and tourists to grow their knowledge on Indiana's history and how state government operates," said Commissioner Robertson. "This center will facilitate exciting learning opportunities for teachers, students and families."

The Education Center will offer dynamic and participatory exhibits for school groups, families and tours. Visitors will take part in role-playing games that demonstrate how government works, discover and explore items from the Library's collections, and cast their votes on issues that resonate with young Hoosiers. The State House Education Center's learning exhibits will support social studies and language arts curricula and enhance the learning experience regarding the three branches of state government. The Center will also provide follow-up resources for teachers, students and their families to connect to the space after the tour.

The Center will be located on the ground floor of the Indiana State Library in a 1,800 square-foot exhibit hall.

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